

AUSTRO-SERVIAN WAR POSSIBLE

FRANCE APPEALS TO POWERS TO MEDIATE

Germany and Russia Sanguine That Conflict Will Be Averted.

Paris, Feb. 26.—The French parliamentary delegation, of which Baron Des Tournelles de Constant, president, to-day undertook an effort to arouse the public opinion of the world to compel the powers to offer mediation in the event that a conflict in the Balkans becomes inevitable.

Resolutions were adopted and communicated to the parliaments of the signatories to The Hague agreement, calling attention to the fact that an offer of mediation by neutrals, under The Hague convention, "can never be considered an unfriendly act by litigants."

The support of the United States and of the South American republics is desired by the French group, and telegraphic appeals will be dispatched to Washington and the South American capitals requesting co-operation. Baron Des Tournelles considers it urgently important that preparations should be made for intervention in the Balkan situation before it is too late.

Warlike Preparations.

Berlin, Feb. 26.—The foreign office has yet received any word from St. Petersburg or Belgrade that the Russian government has declared that Servia cannot hope for support from Russia in the event of an outbreak of hostilities between Austria-Hungary and Servia. Servian students in the Polytechnic school at Coethen have received telegraphic orders to join the colors, and it is reported that many Austrian students in Germany are homeward bound in the expectation of war. The best opinion here, however, continues confident that there will be no war between Austria-Hungary and Servia.

Russia Sanguine.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 26.—A much more hopeful view prevails in diplomatic circles in St. Petersburg to-day concerning the Austro-Hungarian-Servian conflict, due to the probability of the successful issue of the current negotiations for the intervention of the powers.

Russia, in principle, has agreed to join in the representations at Belgrade for the preservation of peace. Whether the Russian representation will go so far as to advise Servia to disarm and formally renounce her aspiration for territorial compensation from Austria-Hungary is a question still being discussed among the powers. As a result of the improved situation prices on the Bourse to-day are firmer.

Turkey's Indemnity.

Constantinople, Feb. 26.—The Austro-Hungarian-Turkish protocol for the settlement of the difference arising out of the annexation by the former power of the provinces of Bosnia and Herzegovina was signed here this afternoon by the Grand Vizier and Marquis Palavicini, the Austro-Hungarian ambassador. Under it the Turkish government gets \$16,300,000 indemnity.

The boycott committee announced today the suspension of the boycott on Austrian goods.

DOMINION ARTILLERY ASSOCIATION MEETS

Ottawa, Feb. 26.—The annual meeting of the Dominion Artillery Association and the Corps of Guides were held yesterday. His Excellency Earl Grey and Sir Frederick Borden were in attendance.

The officers elected were: Honorary president, Sir Frederick Borden; president, Col. S. Hughes; vice-president, Lt.-Col. W. C. Macdonald, Toronto, for Ontario; Lt.-Col. E. T. Ibbitson, of Montreal, for Quebec; Hon. L. G. Power, of Halifax, for Nova Scotia; Col. John Tilton, of Ottawa, for New Brunswick; Hon. Hugh Macdonald, of Winnipeg, for Manitoba; Hon. E. G. Prior, of Victoria, for British Columbia.

U. S. CABINET.

New York, Feb. 26.—All uncertainty in the statement that Franklin MacVeagh, of Chicago, had been selected by President-elect Taft as his secretary of the treasury is removed. Mr. MacVeagh has accepted the place, and thereby the Taft cabinet is made complete.

The cabinet as completed with the selection of Mr. MacVeagh is as follows: Secretary of state, Philander C. Knox, of Pennsylvania; secretary of the treasury, Franklin MacVeagh, of Illinois; secretary of war, Jacob M. Dickinson, of Tennessee; attorney-general, Geo. W. Wickerman, of New York; postmaster-general, Frank H. Hitchcock, of Massachusetts; secretary of the navy, Geo. Von L. Meyer, of Massachusetts; secretary of the interior, Edward L. Ballinger, of Washington; secretary of agriculture, James Wilson, of Iowa; secretary of commerce and labor, Charles W. Elwood, of Missouri.

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Member For Brandon Thrown From Horse at Washington, D. C.

(Special to the Times.)
Ottawa, Feb. 26.—Clifford Sifton fractured his collarbone at Washington, D. C., through being thrown from a horse. He will be laid up for several days. He arrived here last night.

LORD SELKIRK SETTLERS.

(Special to the Times.)
Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 26.—Jacob Cunningham, aged 85, and Letitia Pritchard Cunningham, aged 83, descendants of Lord Selkirk settlers, died in Kildonan yesterday.

BUSY ON INTERCOLONIAL.

Ottawa, Feb. 26.—The Minister of Railways and Canals has given orders for the Intercolonial rates to be put in full time, ten hours a day, commencing March 1st. The men have been working eight hours all winter.

RAILWAY FIGURES OF DOMINION

STATISTICS ILLUSTRATE DEVELOPMENT OF COUNTRY

Billion and a Half Invested—Casualties During 12 Months.

Ottawa, Feb. 26.—The annual report of the comptroller of railway statistics was tabled yesterday in the House of Commons by Hon. G. P. Graham, becoming for the year ending June 30, 1908. The number of miles in operation was 22,966, a gain of 514 miles over 1907. Ontario heads the list in the distribution of completed mileage with 7,932 miles, an increase of 294. Quebec comes next with 3,372, an increase of 68 miles, British Columbia showing the next largest increase of 64 miles.

The total capital invested in Canadian railroads, according to the report was \$1,239,295,013. These figures represent an increase of \$67,357,208 over 1907. If, however, it is desired to ascertain the amount of money actually put into Canadian railways, the sum of \$1,239,295,013, representing the stock and bond liabilities, there should be added the cost of the Intercolonial and P. E. I. railways, the cost of the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario railway, owned and operated by the Ontario government, the cost of the New Brunswick Coal and Railway Company line, owned and operated by New Brunswick, as well as the expenditure up to June 30th, last upon the government section of the Transcontinental between Moncton and Winnipeg. Cash subsidies of the federal and provincial governments as well as municipalities should also be included. All these would aggregate \$328,245,081, or a grand total of \$1,564,540,044.

The cost of the I. C. R. per mile, including equipment, was \$60,355, and of the P. E. I. railway, \$28,840.

Add to railways was increased during the year by \$4,374,223. There have been paid by the Dominion cash subsidies to the extent of \$171,929,730, in addition to \$2,501,730 in extinction of a long standing liability to the province of Quebec.

The number of passengers carried during the year was 34,044,992, an increase of 1,907,672 over 1907, equal to 5.9 per cent. As to freight, the number of tons hauled was 63,071,167, an increase of 1,24 per cent. The gross earnings for the year were \$146,913,319, an increase of \$10,698 over 1907. Operating expenses were \$107,304,142, an increase of 3.4 per cent. The net earnings were \$35,614,171, as against \$42,984,857, a decrease of \$3,273,686, or in other words a decrease of \$189 per mile of line.

On the capitalization of \$1,239,295,013, representing the stock and bond issues of Canadian railways, the net earnings would yield a dividend of 2.19 per cent. Twenty-nine roads out of them showed a deficit on the year's operations.

Equipment shows a decided increase of \$3,872,368; 11,579 freight cars, 8.82 increase; 4,026 passenger cars, 2.34 increase. Cost of fuel for locomotives ranks next to salaries and wages in the operating expenses. It reached a total of \$17,718,468.

An interesting section of the report shows the returns of accidents. Four hundred and forty-nine people were killed and 2,347 injured. Compared with 1907, the fatalities were 149 less, and the number of injured greater by 136. Of the killed 23 were passengers, 244 employees and 156 trespassers, while of the injured 245 were passengers, 1,793 employees and 120 trespassers.

REMAIN UNARMED AND PAY THE PRICE

Proposed Army of Empire Arouses Great Interest in Australia.

Melbourne, Feb. 25.—Rarely has the whole question of defence, local and Imperial, been more public than now. Almost every ministerial speech touches upon one aspect or another of it.

Attorney General Hughes warns all able-bodied men that if they neglect military service they must be prepared to pay for their default. The Imperialist breadth of view of Mr. Haldane's dispatch respecting the general staff is keenly appreciated.

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"JACK THE RIPPER" IS CAPTURED

TAKEN RED-HANDED IN ATTACK ON WOMAN

Thirty-six Assault Cases During Berlin's "Reign of Terror."

Berlin, Feb. 26.—The man who during the past fortnight has been delivering a series of attacks on women on the streets of Berlin was captured this morning. He made an attempt to stab a woman on the Freidrichstrasse, one of the crowded shopping streets of the city. The clothing of his intended victim was cut but she herself suffered no harm. The woman screamed and her assailant fled into a house on an adjoining street where he was at once seized by a policeman. He is a young man but he has not yet been identified.

To-day's attempt was the thirty-sixth "Ripper" case since the beginning of the outrages. The descriptions of the assailant do not agree and for this reason it is believed that various men may have been engaged in the work.

There has been an actual state of terror among the women of Berlin, many servants refusing to go to the streets alone after nightfall. The police have made every effort to capture the assailant. They even had special detectives dressed up as women sauntering through the streets inviting attack but all to no purpose. The assaults have been made by day as well as by night on the open street. The assailant would approach his intended victim quietly, strike at her swiftly with a sharp stiletto, and then make his escape during the ensuing confusion.

May Not Be the "Ripper."

Berlin, Feb. 26.—The police have made inquiries concerning the assailant of this woman, and as a result they are inclined to doubt that he is the Ripper they are after. He is being held on a charge of assault.

INSPECTOR PELLETIER AND PARTY SAFE

Have Arrived Safely at Fort Churchill, After Being Reported Lost.

(Special to the Times.)

Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 26.—Constables Wood and Brown, of the Canadian Mounted Police, arrived yesterday, bringing the Fort Churchill and Hudson Bay mail packet through from Split Lake, 800 miles north of here, by dog team.

They brought word through from Fort Churchill, that Inspector Pelletier and his party, who have been making a remarkably long trip in the Canadian Northland from Edmonton to Fort Churchill via Cape Fullerton arrived there safely on the 11th of January in excellent health. It was reported, several months ago that this party was lost.

MANITOBA'S GOVERNMENT FAILS TO REDEEM PLEDGE

Announcement of Cut in Telephone Rates Comes as Disappointment.

(Special to the Times.)

Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 26.—The Hon. Robert Rogers' announcement of a reduction in the telephone rates made last night came as a disappointment. Instead of cutting the Bell rates in two, as promised, the reductions are: Business phones, from \$50 to \$30; private house phones, from \$30 to \$25, and rural phones, from \$24 to \$20.

CONSERVATION OF NATIONS' ASSETS

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE MAKES RECOMMENDATIONS

World's Congress on Subject is Suggested—To Encourage Afforestation.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Feb. 26.—Recommendations unanimously passed by the international conference at Washington for the conservation of the natural resources of North America were presented to the government to-day by the Hon. S. Fisher. The members of the conference found that the waste of the natural resources in Canada, the United States and Mexico was practically the same, and starting from this common basis unanimous agreement was reached as to the recommendations to present to the respective governments.

The active principle of the recommendations is that each country shall appoint a conservation commission, and shall make an inventory of the resources which remain to be conserved. This work will be begun promptly in each country.

The report recommends a world's conference on conservation, the adoption of the principle that timber, water, land, minerals, power, fuel and other natural resources, necessary to the public welfare, should be regarded as public utilities and protected from monopoly and waste; that extensive forest reservations should be created under the control of trained forestry officers, that the taxation of standing timber should be regulated so as to encourage reforestation, and that irrigation works should be under the government rather than private control.

ENGINEER DEAD IN TRAIN WRECK.

Chicago-Milwaukee Overland Limited is ditched in Iowa.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 26.—At the general superintendent's office of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad it was stated that the westbound overland limited train had been ditched at Van Horne, Ia., that the engineer, C. H. Brown, had been killed, and that several persons had been injured. There have been no other fatalities. The officers of the company asserted. The wreck occurred at 2:35 o'clock this morning. The cause was due to derangement.

POLITICAL CRISIS IN GERMANY

GOVERNMENT DETERMINED TO IMPOSE DEATH DUTIES

Inability to Pass Tax Will Lead to Dissolution of Reichstag.

Berlin, Feb. 26.—The internal political situation in Germany is approaching a crisis over the proposed revenue measures, and unless the ministry is successful in its stand in the matter of death duties, it is declared in political circles that the Reichstag will be dissolved. Furthermore, should the new elections result in an adverse majority, Chancellor Von Buelow will have to retire.

The conservatives and the clericals for some time past have been exerting the utmost pressure on the government to compel it to abandon these death duties, to which the great landowners of the country are stoutly opposed. When the tax committee assembled yesterday these two parties presented a compromise in which they substituted for the death duties heavily increased contributions from the states to the empire. Reinhold Sydow, secretary of the imperial treasury, accompanied by the finance minister of all the federal states, appeared before the committee and announced that the government was irrevocably committed to the death duties. This declaration foreshadows a sharp contest in which the government will be supported by the national liberals, the radicals, and the Socialists, a wholly unprecedented combination for the support of an imperial policy.

The critical question to-day is whether the ministry will be able to obtain enough conservative votes to bring about the enactment of the duties in question.

BRITISH MONEY IN CANADA.

London, Feb. 26.—The Chronicle says that in London a committee of 100,000 of British capital went to Canada, and remarks: "It is in order that the tariff reformers who affect so much keenness upon colonial preference should shed tears at the investment of British capital in colonial development."

ONCE WEALTHY MAN, HE DIES PENNLESS

Porteus B. Weare Was Klondike Pioneer and Power in Northwest.

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 26.—Porteus B. Weare, at one time a power in the business world of Chicago and later a factor in business in the Northwest, is dead here. At the time of his death he was virtually penniless. At one time he controlled the Globe Grain elevators in Chicago and throughout the Northwest. Later he started the North American Transportation and Trading Company. He was forced into bankruptcy in Seattle. Mr. Weare was one of the first to exploit the Klondike when it was opened.

PUBLIC MEETING IS CALLED AS PROTEST

Legislative Committee Refuse to Recommend Ratification of City's Rights to Water in 20-Mile Radius.

The private bills committee of the legislature has refused to recommend to the House the ratification of the city's rights to water anywhere within 20 miles of the city as granted in 1873 and ratified again in 1881 and 1882. As a protest against this action Mayor Hall has called a public meeting to be held in the city hall on Monday evening.

The supporters of the city bill feel that they have received little or no assistance in their efforts from the members representing the city, and with the announcement that the committee will not pass a section ratifying their rights, it has been decided by the mayor to call the meeting.

The section asked by the city reads as follows:

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TROPHY JELLY POWDER, 4 pkts. for	25¢
SCOTCH CORN STARCH, 3 pkts. for	25¢
SUPERFINE TOILET SOAP, 9 bars for	25¢
ROWAT'S ENGLISH VINEGAR, quart bottle	15¢
TRAVER'S ENGLISH WORCESTER SAUCE, 1-2 pint bottles, 3 for	25¢
MALTA VITA, per pkt	10¢
NICE ONTARIO CHEESE, per pound	20¢
INDEPENDENT CREAMERY BUTTER, 35c per lb. or 3 lbs. for	\$1
OGILVIE'S ROYAL HOUSEHOLD FLOUR, per sack	\$1.75
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A three-masted ship, probably the Euphrosyne, was being towed into the Royal Roads as the Times was going to press.

Messrs. Dilworth, Collins and Cooke, the committee appointed by the Central Farmers' Institute to wait upon the Minister of Agriculture, and lay before him the resolutions passed at the recent sessions, met Hon. R. G. Tatlow this morning just after 11 o'clock. R. M. Palmer, deputy minis-

ter of agriculture, being also present. The subjects were taken up one by one and the committee not having finished at lunch time an adjournment was taken and the meeting continued this afternoon.

Roy Trout, who last year built and operated the Craigflower above the Gorge, is to build another and larger craft for the same waters this year. He expects to have the boat ready by the time the tourist season opens.

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and those having any interest or right in the said water or waters for the purchase thereof or of any part thereof or of any privilege that may be required for the purpose of the said commissioners, and for the right to take all timber, stone, gravel, sand and other materials from the same or adjacent lands for the use and construction of the said work."

Then follow sub-sections setting forth the plan of procedure under arbitration.

Offer Is Withdrawn.

This morning the private bills committee sat only for a few minutes on the city's bill. W. J. Taylor, K. C. city barrister, stated that in view of what had taken place the day before, the city's representatives had decided to withdraw the offer to Oak Bay, which it was intended to ask to have incorporated in the bill to meet the needs of their municipality. In doing so Mr. Taylor made a very pointed statement with respect to the action of the representatives of Oak Bay. He said, speaking for the representatives of the city in this matter:

"The conviction has been unpleasantly borne in upon us that the representatives of Oak Bay in their advocacy of the rights of Oak Bay for water, had tinged their arguments with the interests of the Esquimalt Water Works Company to such an extent by abuse of the mayors and councils of the city of Victoria for the past five years, and by the admissions that they should have purchased water from the Esquimalt Water Works Company, and representations as to the quality of water the Esquimalt company could furnish, that the Esquimalt company's interests received more consideration than the interests of the inhabitants of Oak Bay. We felt that we ought to withdraw our offer under the circumstances, and leave it to be decided by the representatives of the two corporations later."

Constitution of Committee.
Continuing, Mr. Taylor offered the opinion that the committee had not been well constituted in view of the fact that a majority of them were members of last year's committee which refused a similar proposal. He said:

"We do not feel that it is fair to the committee nor to the city that the committee should have been composed of a majority of the members who had last year decided adversely to the city of Victoria, as was like the case of a judge who had given a decision in favor of one litigant being compelled to form one of a court of appeal on his own judgment. Such a position was unfair alike to the judge and the litigant, and under the circumstances we do not feel like proceeding further other than to ask the committee to report the sections already passed."

The chairman, W. R. Ross, and J. P. Garden agreed with the statement made by Mr. Taylor relative to their having to sit again this year, after having been members of the committee last session.

Mr. Ross, in reply to the first part of Mr. Taylor's statement as to Oak Bay water supply, said that the committee had decided against including these sections in the bill.

After the altering of section 2 of the bill, as above stated, it was decided to prepare the bill as now passed upon for presentation to the House.

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OLD MEN MAY VOTE NEXT YEAR

MUNICIPAL ELECTION ACT IS TO BE AMENDED

Extension of Local Improvement Plan to Rural Municipalities.

If an amendment to the Municipal Elections Act made by the municipal committee this morning passes the legislature, as no doubt it will, the disfranchisement of householders over sixty-five years, and the one hundred and twenty-five gentlemen who were debarred from voting at the recent civic election will be able to vote next January.

The fourth clause in form 4, signed by householders when they make application for registration, is to be struck out and replaced by the following: "I am exempt from payment of road tax as I am over sixty years of age (or) I am a member of the militia."

The adoption of this change was moved by Fred Davye, seconded by W. H. Hayward, and unanimously passed.

The local improvement plan of carrying out municipal works is extending in favor to the rural communities. The committee was asked by a delegation from Burnaby municipality to add to the Municipal Act clauses which will enable rural municipalities to carry out works in the same way as cities do, pledging the credit of the municipality to raise the funds and bearing one-third of the cost. Reeve Peter Byrne, Burnaby; George E. Clayton, Burnaby Lake, and W. G. McQuarrie, solicitor, Vancouver, appeared in support of the request.

Reeve Byrne said Burnaby was practically a city, a city of stumps, and the opening up of streets and roads was a pressing matter. Lying between Vancouver and New Westminster, as it does, it is growing rapidly. While roads on the local improvement plan was its need other municipalities would welcome the extension of the principle for other classes of work.

The committee endorsed the principle of extending the plan to rural municipalities, on motion of W. H. Hayward and Thomas Gifford, but did not add the clauses just now. Mr. McQuarrie will prepare the necessary amendments, which will be discussed in the House in committee on the bill, three lines suggested by John Oliver and W. H. Hayward being followed: that there must be a petition of a majority in number and value of the owners in the area affected, a vote of the council for the submission of a by-law, and a vote on the by-law by the whole municipality.

VANCOUVER DEFEATS TACOMA AT BASKETBALL

Terminal City to Play Victoria for League Pendant.

Vancouver, Feb. 26.—In the roughest match of the year the Vancouver Y. M. C. A. basketball quintet defeated Tacofa here last night by a score of 24 to 15. Both teams set a whirlwind pace at the start and play was very even. At half time Vancouver led by eight points. Upon resumption of play the players of both teams resorted to rough work and twenty fouls were called during the last period by Referee Findley, of Victoria.

The teams failed to display much science, the game developing into a rough and tumble exhibition. Vancouver will play in Victoria next week in the final match of the series.

MULE DRIVER INJURED.

(Special Correspondence.)

Ladysmith, Feb. 25.—A young lad named Hilliard was severely injured at work in Extension mine this afternoon. He was kicked in the neck by the mule he was driving, and it is feared he sustained serious injury. He was taken to Chemainus hospital. The government patrol steamer North was in port to-day on the lookout for a number of Italian fishermen suspected of seining for smelt in the harbor.

\$150,000 FIRE IN CHICAGO.

Two Firemen Injured by Falling Wall.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 26.—Two firemen were injured by a falling wall which destroyed the Albert Dickinson seed warehouse No. 2 in West Taylor street to-day. Three girls were knocked down in the rush of fifty others for the stairway, but were rescued by policemen. The loss is placed at \$150,000, covered by insurance.

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CANUCK CURLERS RETURNING.

Liverpool, Feb. 26.—The Canadian curlers who had a highly successful tour in Scotland and England left here for home on the steamer Empress of Ireland.

NEW RAILWAY COMMISSIONER.

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 26.—Premier Scott of Saskatchewan, who is here to denounce the railway commission, says that he is to be appointed to the railway commission.

The team selected to represent Esquimalt to-morrow at Oak Bay against Victoria United is: Goal, Costello; backs, Sayvid and Dunne; halves, Gough, Crawford and Malcolm; forwards, W. Young, Sherritt, Barnes, J. Young and Cowan. The Victoria United team will be chosen to-night from Peden, Lorimer, Whyte, Lawson, Kerchin, Schwengen, Shanks, Martin, Fairley, Thomas, Buxton, Lineham, Harrison and Sherrill.

FATIGUE GASOLINE.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Feb. 26.—Mrs. Martin E. Egantine, 45 years old, was fatally burned at her home to-day by an explosion of gasoline which she was pouring into a kitchen range to start a fire.

Under normal conditions, ten inches of snow yield one inch of water.

TARIFF REVISION IS REQUISITE

WOULD RELIEVE PRESENT BUSINESS CONDITIONS

W. H. Taft Hopes Changes Made Will Become Effective June 1.

New York, Feb. 26.—President-elect Wm. H. Taft declared in an interview in this city to-day that a revision of the tariff is a primary requisite for the relief of the present business conditions and for expressed hope that the revision would be accomplished by June 1st.

Speaking of this revision Mr. Taft said to a reporter: "As this is the primary requisite for the relief of present conditions I want to have it disposed of at once. I am hopeful that there will be important revisions in the tariff schedules made by Congress in an extra session and look forward to June 1st as the date when most of these changes will become effective."

Mr. Taft's opinion was given after an interview with James W. Van Cleave, president of the National Manufacturers' Association, who called to urge the creation of a permanent tariff commission. After Mr. Van Cleave's departure, Mr. Taft said that he favored such a commission but did not favor its immediate appointment. He declared that he felt that the present tariff schedules are onerous to business, halting it with the force of a drag-brake, but he added that revision was all important first and then perhaps a commission. Such a commission, if appointed now, he said, might block the plan of revision as now contemplated. After the revision the commission could gather data with the working of the new law and suggest amendments to it.

SAYS WOMAN SUFFRAGE

FIGHT IS WON IN ENGLAND

Principles of "Right to Vote"
Are Established, Says Lady Cooke.

New York, Feb. 26.—Lady Cooke, prominent in the advocacy of woman suffrage in England, arrived here to-day on the steamer Adriatic from Europe. She declared that the women's battle for the suffrage was already won. Only the working out of minor details was left, she asserted, the principles having been established. She said her work here would be principally in giving advice in the suffrage movement and in administering its affairs. Her health was not such as to admit of her taking a more active part.

As to whether women would make use of the privilege of the ballot when they had obtained it, Lady Cooke said that she believed they would accept it as a matter of course.

"Probably, however, many women will not vote because they will not find a man worthy of voting for among the candidates," she added.

PRODUCTS OF BURBANK'S BRAIN CAPITALIZED

Millionaires to Exploit Genius of Californian Plant Wizard.

San Fran, Cal., Feb. 26.—In order that his discoveries may be more generally distributed and incidentally that his work may not be hampered by business worries, the brains and genius of Luther Burbank, the plant wizard, have been capitalized for several million dollars.

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ANNUAL ATTEMPT TO COERCE VICTORIA.

The new Palace of Justice at Vancouver, when completed, will be a splendid monument in later days to the memory of that eminent jurist of repute, W. J. Bowser, K. C., M. E. P. etc. We must not be understood as saying that a court house which will probably cost one million dollars is not necessary to the transaction of legal business in the city of Vancouver in conformity with the importance of that business. If we took any such position we might be open to the charge of speaking in ignorance. But it must be obvious to members of the profession of the law, and it will occur to the minds of mere laymen, that it is an extraordinary thing that a province so sparsely settled as the province of British Columbia, with a population much smaller than some cities in the Dominion of Canada, should require a court house of a splendor exceeding that, probably, of any such institution in this country and exceeded by few on this continent. Looking at the matter from a purely disinterested and non-sectional point of view, we can reach no other conclusion than that the Vancouver court house is designed as a monument to the commanding genius for the distribution of patronage and public works in the districts which will do him the greatest amount of political good and enhance the already great political prestige of our distinguished Attorney-General.

While this monument will cost the province ultimately the sum we have mentioned, the esteemed representative of Victoria has plainly told us that nothing can be done for this city by the government for the prosecution of what appear to be necessary public works. When a request was preferred for consideration the answer was—and we admit it was a fair answer—that all the resources of the province must be utilized for the construction of roads, trails and bridges and such other works of necessity as would have the effect of developing the province, of rendering its great natural resources accessible to agriculturists and other producers of wealth. Does a million dollar court house in Vancouver come legitimately within that category? If Premier McBride kept his ears open he might hear this question of the position of the legal profession and the institutions it maintains discussed in such a way as would lead him to believe that a great body of public opinion is being formed which may culminate in a material curtailment of the privileges of that profession. An indignant citizen of Victoria who has been paying particular attention to the proceedings of the legislature, and especially to the proceedings before some of the committees of that legislature, writes us a few sentences which if imprinted might have the effect of making the ears of this learned profession tingle. His idea, expressed in

choice but forcible language, is that lawyers should be disbanded from practising before committees of the House and that their presence within the chamber itself should only be tolerated up to a certain number. The resentment of this correspondent has been aroused by observing the treatment to which Victoria has been subjected year to year in the matter of procuring an abundant source of water supply. His contention is, and it appears to be well founded, that paid advocates of certain companies and interests have succeeded in balked the almost unanimous desire of the citizens of Victoria in this case of pressing public necessity—that the evident object of these individuals, playing a mercenary part, is to accomplish by barricade what cannot be achieved directly—to deliver the citizens absolutely into the hands of the Esquimalt Water Works Company, forcing us to pay the price that company demands for its works. That is the opinion of our correspondent, and it is all but the unanimous opinion of citizens who are disinterested observers of the trend of events.

Finally our correspondent urges his fellow-citizens to stand firm and refuse to be the victims of any system of legal or legislative coercion. He does not believe that under any circumstances should the people of Victoria sanction any scheme which would have the effect of committing them to the tender mercies of a private company by purchasing water from it at any price per thousand gallons. And we cordially endorse his opinion in that respect. We have already read some subtle arguments, also from a mercenary source, respecting the benefits we should derive from such an eminently fair and reasonable "business proposition." We shall doubtless read many more emanating from the same quarter. But we believe, the public will not be misled by any sophistries of that kind. Experience has taught the people the absolute necessity of maintaining in their own hands such a necessary service as supplying water to consumers. This necessity has been emphasized in the experience of other communities. The people of Victoria would be making a great mistake if they took such a step backward. They want water as cheaply as it can be procured and in as great abundance as possible. Neither of these desiderata is possible if a private company be permitted to make a profit out of the business.

A ROOT AND BRANCH REFORMER

No friend "Reformer"; while we admit the necessity of law reform and note that other provinces are taking up the subject with an evident determination to eliminate legal abuses and abolish legal privileges, we cannot endorse the suggestion that Attorney-General Bowser and a limited number of persons of the same honorable profession as the "first law officer of the Crown" shall be taken to Vancouver and permanently confined in that splendid legal palace. There are still many apparently sane persons in Victoria and elsewhere who look upon lawyers as necessary evils and can afford the luxury of employing them. We must humor these misguided ones until reforms to which we look forward with confidence shall be accomplished. Besides, whatever may come to pass, we shall need judges. Lawyers are the raw material from which judges are made, and you will admit, when you consider the matter coolly and dispassionately, that it is really wonderful what good judges we have considering the apparent crudeness of that material. The fact that a member of the profession who is also a member of the legislature should be endeavoring to have a law amended in order that it may fit a case in which he is, or was, interested should not be held as prejudicial to the character of the profession at large. There was lately an attorney-general in the province who practiced before Mr. Speaker in that way, with results at once demoralizing and mischievous. But we can afford to let these things pass. They only prove the necessity of the electors being exceedingly careful as to the character of the members they elect. Apart from these instances and others which might be cited, the majority of the members of the profession are men of whom the country is proud and delights to honor. It is hardly fair to generalize from isolated cases.

A SIGNIFICANT SIGN.

The Detroit Chamber of Commerce has initiated a movement, in which it hopes to have all the states along the border join, for reciprocity with Canada. This movement is neither surprising nor unusual. We believe attempts of a similar kind have been made before, always without accomplishing results. To be sure the condition of the public mind in the United States is different to-day. There is a well-defined and powerful demand for tariff reform, and there is no direction in which such reform would be more effective than in more freedom in trade between Canada and the United States. But Congress has to be consulted. Congress must approve. The legislative machinery of Congress is very ponderous and slow of motion. Some time, possibly some years, must pass before any opinion expressed by the northern States could be given effect in legislation. So that our fellow-imperialists in Great Britain need not be alarmed about this idea of the Detroit

Chambers of Commerce. We hope it

may not become an issue in the political controversy between Liberals and Conservatives, between free traders and protectionists.

In the old Mother Land. Besides such a consumption cannot be brought about except with the approval of the Parliament of Canada, and we are inclined to think our neighbors might chaffer a long time before they could submit any proposition that would meet with the approval of a majority of that assembly.

Such things have been tried before, always with the result that the Americans appeared to be determined upon securing the big end of the stick.

If our neighbors are sincere in their desire for improved trade relations, their ambition might be partially realized by reducing their tariff to a level with ours. In the meantime we understand that Congressional or independent commissions have been looking into the question of necessary tariff amendments and have reached the conclusion that coal and lumber shall be placed upon the free list. That is something of interest to Canadians, of particular concern to British Columbians. We venture to say it is a suggestion which will not be adopted except after one of the most memorable of struggles between the forces of reason and of monopoly.

If common sense should prevail, the event will mark the first breach in the walls of protectionist bigotry and will also indicate the possibility of Canadians and people of other nationalities dealing with their republican neighbors upon a basis of fairness. While this contest is proceeding the best course for us to pursue is to "sit tight."

"Martin Luther" writes to point out that he is not, as we assumed him to be, a shade, but a real, corporeal, physical entity, to wit: Martin Luther Wiley, or Witty, who traces his descent directly from the great reformer. Our correspondent regrets, as we do, that expression was not given to his sentiments with regard to the developments in connection with a forged telegram which is now the subject of discussion in almost every public journal in Canada save and except the Victoria Colonist. We did not publish our esteemed correspondent's views because, as a secular journal which has nothing whatever to do with but respects the religious opinions of every individual, believing that such matters are matters between "the creature and the Creator," we cannot countenance even the possibility of a theological controversy in this paper.

The Toronto Star says: "The Board of Control will ask the Ontario government to give Toronto a grant for the beautifying of this city. The Mayor and Controllers Hocken and Geary were this morning appointed to confer with the Whitney Cabinet on the subject. The controllers reason that as Toronto is the capital of Ontario, the provincial government should spend some money on making it beautiful. Just as the Dominion government does on Ottawa." What will the answer be? We venture to say the Toronto Board of Control will not be treated as curiously as was the deputation which recently interviewed Premier McBride on a similar subject.

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To the Editor:—If the police who patrol Douglas street, near Fort, would pay attention to the crowd of boys that nightly rend the air with their noisy shouts they would do the city a great service. Is there not a curfew law that requires boys of tender age to be tucked in their cribs at 9 o'clock each night instead of disturbing the peace with their shrieks? What are the parents thinking of, and what is Chief Langley doing? Does the fate of the kid burglars who were lately sent to the reformatory for two years carry no warning?

VIGILANT.

A SETTLER'S VIEWS.

To the Editor:—Seeing that Col. Prior is taking a great interest in Vancouver Island development, I take this means to call his attention to the following:

When the E. & N. grant was taken up by the late Redmond, it was specified in that agreement that the land comprising that grant was to be open to settlement at a certain price per acre.

We find now, after the railway and land have changed hands, that the land has been withdrawn from the market.

We also find that the McBride government does nothing and says nothing to put a stop to these methods of grasping corporations. In my humble opinion, the Crown could do nothing better than to see that the land be thrown open for settlement. Then Vancouver Island would start in to develop naturally.

OLD SETTLER.

New Alberni, Feb. 22d, 1908.

S. P. C. A.

To the Editor:—In your issue of 22nd inst. there is a report of a case in the police court in which a man was convicted and fined \$15 for cruelty to a horse.

As a lover of animals and a hater of cruelty, I rejoice to find that the law is on the side of the dumb animals

(although in this case the animal and not the man was summoned), and the thanks of the lover of the brute creation are due to the Times for the publicity of such decisions.

No report, however, of the case is given in the Colonist. I am a subscriber to the funds of the S. P. C. A. and cannot understand why this omission is made in face of the humanitarian principles advocated by that paper; and I am informed also that the annual report of the society for 1907 shows that the work of the society is not likely to succeed, either in sympathy or funds, if the press does not give the publicity which the object of the society has a right to claim.

FAIR PLAY.

The S.S. Moana will arrive from Vancouver about 6:30 p.m. to-day, sailing for Sydney, Australia, at 7 a.m.

RAILWAY COMMISSION

WILL SIT TO-MORROW

Province's Application for Reduction in C. P. R. Rates

Will Be Discussed.

To-morrow the railway commission will sit in the court house in this city to hear a number of applications. Hon. J. P. Mahée will preside, and it is expected that the business will be disposed of to-morrow.

Among the applications, a list of which were seen a few weeks ago, will be the case of the province against the C. P. R. in the matter of alleged excessive freight and passenger rates. The action is based on a resolution introduced into the legislature by John Oliver and carried unanimously. As P. Luxton represents the province in the matter,

There are a number of smaller applications, most of them having to do with troubles which have arisen on Vancouver Island.

EDUCATIONISTS TO MEET AT VANCOUVER

Programme for Annual Gathering of Dominion Association.

The programme has been prepared for the Dominion Educational Association at its seventh annual meeting in Vancouver, July 13-16 inclusive. The programme is as follows:

Department of Elementary Education—
A. N. Burt, M. A., Brantford Collegiate Institute, Brantford, Ont.

The Adaptation of Nature to Design, in the Elementary School—John Kyle, A. R. C. A., supervisor of drawing, Vancouver.

What is Aimed at as an Elementary Education in our Common Public Schools?—Presentation of the views of each province by representative educationalists.

Nova Scotia—Dr. A. H. MacKay, superintendent of education.

New Brunswick—Dr. J. R. Inch, superintendent of education.

Quebec—G. Parmelee.

Ontario—R. H. Cowley, M. A., inspector of continuation classes.

Manitoba—Speaker not specified.

Saskatchewan—Hon. J. Calder, minister of education.

Alberta—Dr. A. M. Scott, superintendent of city schools, Calgary.

Prince Edward Island—Speaker not decided.

British Columbia—A. C. Stewart, inspector of schools.

Inspection, Training, Higher Education College and University (president's address)—A. E. Lang, M. A., Victoria College, Toronto.

The Teaching of Latin—N. DeWitt, Ph.D.

Address—W. S. Milner, M. A.

The Work of a State University—Dr. W. C. Murray, president Saskatchewan University.

The Preparation of the Teacher for the Rural School—John Brittain, LL.D., Macdonald College.

The Professional Preparation of the High School Teacher—R. A. Little, B. A., Collegiate Institute, London, Ont.

The Making of a Principal of Schools for the Small Town—B. J. Hale, LL.B., Portage la Prairie, Man.

The Proper Conduct and Value of the Teachers' Institute—A. G. Macdonald, M. A., inspector of schools, Antigonish, N. S.

General Meetings.

1. Business meeting of directors.

2. President's Address—Alexander Robinson, B.A., LL.D., superintendent of education, British Columbia.

3. Reception to visiting teachers.

4. The Future of the D. E. A.—Round table conference on suggestions for making the D. E. A. a more influential factor in Canadian education. Led by T. A. Brough, M. A., Vancouver High School; Prof. A. E. Lang, M. A., Victoria College, Toronto; Dr. W. J. McIntyre, principal, Normal school, Winnipeg; Wm. Scott, B.A., principal Normal school, Toronto.

5. The Educational Systems of the Dominion in Relation to the Civil Service—Adam Short, M. A., chairman civil service commission, Ottawa.

6. The Future of the Rural Schools—Prof. J. W. Robertson, C.M.G., LL.D., principal Macdonald College.

7. The Organization and Management of the School System of a Large City—J. M. Greenwood, superintendent of city schools, Kansas City, Mo.

8. Modern Tendencies in Education—Jas. L. Hughes, chief inspector of schools, Toronto.

9. Comparison of General Methods of Instruction in Canada and the United States—Dr. H. S. Pritchett, president of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Learning, New York city.

10. Address—Hon. L. D. Harvey, president of the National Education Association of the United States, Menominee, Wisconsin.

11. Address—Prof. Date, professor of education, McGill University, Montreal.

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AT OAK BAY
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Victoria United vs. Esquimalt

TIMES AD. CALENDAR

FEBRUARY

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A fact is worth nothing to one person and hundreds of dollars to another. There are some facts of that sort in today's ad.

Perhaps a few lines of want ad type in to-day's paper may hold an ounce or so of destiny for you.

Local News

Parasol repairing and covering. Waites Bros., 641 Fort street.

Heavy bark wood, cut 12 inches for grate and heater. Cameron Lumber Company, Ltd. Phone 910.

To Seattle 25c. SS. Whatcom daily except Thursday, at 8 p. m.

Cyphers' Incubators and Brooders. Watson & McGregor, 647 Johnson.

"Crum's" English prints are well known to be the best wearing and washing prints made. We are showing 100 different designs at 15c a yard. 75c a pair, for \$1.00. Robinson's Cash Store, 642 Yates street.

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People are going to talk a long time about the splendid bargains they have secured at the Capital Furniture Company's February sale. Remember sale closer Saturday.

Try our special blend of tea, 25c and 40c per lb.; also a pound of our Java and Mocha coffee at 40c per lb.; 16 ounces to the pound guaranteed at Acton Bros., Grocers, 650 Yates street. Telephone 1061.

Lace curtains, special values—English Nottingham lace curtains, 25c yards long, 50c a pair; 3 yards long, 75c a pair, and a great number of other special values. Robinson's Cash Store, 642 Yates street.

Do not forget that you can get an express or truck at any hour you may wish. Always keep your checks until you have seen us, as we will save you the trouble, on each trunk you have to pay to baggage agents on trains and boats. We will check your baggage from your hotel or residence, also store it. See us before you make your arrangements. We guarantee to satisfy everyone—on price and the way we handle your goods. We consider it a favor if you will report any overcharges or inaccuracy on part of our help.

Pacific Transfer Company, Phone 248, 56 Fort St.

You can buy the best carpets, linoleums and furniture for almost as little as what the cheapest costs elsewhere this week at the Capital Furniture Company, corner Douglas and Fort streets.

Dried apricots, peaches and apples, 2 lbs. for 25c; prunes, 5 lbs. for 25c. We give honest weight, 16 ounces to the pound. Acton Bros., Grocers, 650 Yates street. Telephone 1061.

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The programme at Pantages' theatre this week has been drawing large audiences. It includes the Johnsons, clever ventriloquists; Warner and Lockwood, in "The Scarecrow and the Maud"; the Margasons in a sketch, "His New Papa"; Adele, high wire performer; James Dixon, singing "When the Bees are in the Hive," to illustrations, and amusing motion pictures.

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Expiration of Lease.—We are forced to vacate in 15 days. See the sensational bargains at the Army & Navy Clothing Store.

Finest Maderia cakes at the Central Bakery.—R. Morrison & Co.

To Seattle 25c. SS. Whatcom daily except Thursday, at 8 p. m.

Linoleums and carpets with prices marked to your pile this week at the Capital Furniture sale. None equal these February furniture bargains.

Only 15 days more for the forced to vacate sale at the Army & Navy Clothing Store.

Liberal Rooms. Phone 1704.

Misses Munro and Rudd wish to announce to the public that they intend opening a first class millinery establishment, corner Yates and Broad, upstairs, Room 2.

Take advantage of the stupendous reductions at the Army & Navy Clothing Store. See their big ad.

Rare values if you want them in carpets and linoleums this week at the Capital; but you must buy now for the big sale closes this week.

Dr. W. F. Fraser will be pleased to see all his old friends and acquaintances at his dental parlors, 732 Yates street. Telephone 261. Formerly occupied by Dr. Garesche.

See the big ad. of the Army & Navy Clothing Store.

Every day is a bargain day this week at the Capital. Last week of the big sale. Grandest values ever secured in carpets, linoleums and furniture.

Complete office outfitters, filing cabinets, Remington typewriters, blank books, etc. The Standard Stationery Co., 1220 Government street.

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A benefit concert will be given on Wednesday evening next in the lecture room of the Congregational church by Miss Cooker, assisted by several of her friends in city musical circles.

The choir of the Metropolitan Methodist church will hold their weekly rehearsal at the store of Messrs. Hicks & Lovick, Piano Co., Ltd., Vernon block, Douglas street, on account of the special services now being held in the church.

Donations of clothing, furniture, crockery or household utensils will be gratefully received for the rummage sale to be held March 5th and 6th by the Anti-Tuberculosis Society. Parties wishing to donate the same will please phone Mrs. F. S. Barnard or Mrs. Arthur Coles.

There was a large turnout of young people and their friends at the residence of Mr. Hugh Mackay, Dunsmuir street, it being the monthly social of the Y. P. S. C. E. of St. Paul's church, Victoria West. A very pleasant evening was spent with games and music, vocal and instrumental. Refreshments were served at the close. Mrs. Mackay carried off the prize in the conundrum contest.

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GOVERNMENT PLACES RESERVES ON FORESHORE

Appointments Made During the Week—Companies Incorporated in Province.

This week's Provincial Gazette contains notice of the appointment of the following:

Harry Frederick Weber, of Michel, to be a Justice of the peace in and for the province of British Columbia.

Miss Maude McBrae Smith, to be stenographer in the office of the government agent at Clinton, from the 18th of February, 1909.

To be deputy game warden—W. S. Mills, of Gateway, East Kootenay; William Haymore, of Masset, Queen Charlotte Islands.

W. W. Bradley, to be acting government agent at Nelson, from the 22nd day of February, 1909, during the absence on leave of Harry Wright.

A. M. Johnson, of the city of Nelson, barrister-at-law, to be the deputy of the district register of the Kootenay land registration district during the illness of H. R. Jordand, district registrar.

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Several reserves have been placed for public purposes by the government during the week. Among them is the foreshore of Maple Bay, fronting on sections 5, 6 and 7, range 5; and fractional section 7, range 6; Comikane district.

Another reserve is the foreshore at Cowichan Bay, fronting on section 5, range 7, section 5 range 6; section 6, range 4; section 7, range 4; and section 7, range 4, Cowichan district.

The reserves are: Certain lands on Graham Island, certain lands on Masset Inlet, Graham Island, and certain lands on Nasas River.

The following companies have been incorporated:

Canadian and Foreign Commission and Sport Company, with a capital of \$25,000.

Columbia Hotel Company, with a capitalization of \$10,000.

Converse-Brown Shingle Company, with a capital stock of \$10,000.

Dominion Fish Company, capitalized at \$75,000, to take over Central Fish Market in Vancouver.

Lake Shore Telephone Company, with a capital of \$25,000; with head office in Summerland.

Mackay, Smith, Blair & Co., capitalized at \$300,000, to take over concern in Vancouver.

Pacific Shingle Company, with a capital stock of \$10,000, to take over business carried on by Lamont Bros. in New Westminster.

Rupert-Haddington Stone Company, with a capital stock of \$25,000, to take over the Haddington Island Quarry.

Vancouver Industrial and Development Company, with a capitalization of \$250,000, to work quarries and do silica brick business.

Prince Rupert General Hospital is incorporated under the Benevolent Societies Act, with the following as the first trustees: John Houston, J. A. Kirkpatrick, W. J. Kidd, C. B. Wark, D. Sequin, A. J. Gallop, J. O. Reddie, W. E. Tremayne, Thos. Holmes, J. J. Miller, Alfred Wright, W. J. Blanchfield, A. M. Manson, T. J. Tuller and M. M. Stephens.

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Usual Saturday Children's Matinee Will Be Given To-Morrow Afternoon.

There will be the usual Saturday children's 10-cent matinee at the New Grand to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. An unusually pleasing programme includes the Australian tree fellers; John Lee Clarence novelty juggler; Flora Browning and Kellar, the great whistler; Daly, the madman; the McIntyre sisters, singers and dancers; Thos. Price, in illustrated song, and good moving pictures.

Owing to the Hindu case in the county court to-day, the assault case which was to have been continued this morning in the police court was adjourned until Wednesday, as the Hindus concerned in the latter are also witnesses in the former action.

The funeral of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Davis took place this afternoon from the family residence, Cadboro Bay road, at 2 o'clock. Interment took place at Ross Bay.

The regular men's meeting will be held in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium at 4 o'clock on Sunday afternoon. The speaker will be J. W. Whiteley, of Toronto, and his address will be on "Citizenship." Duncan Campbell will sing "Does Jesus Care?"

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VICTORIA SCORES FROM WALLABIES

LOCAL TEAM SHOWS WELL BEFORE CHAMPIONS

Magnificent Exhibition of Rugby by Visitors—Advice From McMahon

The Wallabies, the champion Australian Rugby team, beat Victoria yesterday at Oak Bay, but the Victoria team do not lose one stem of prestige thereby, in fact, they gained laurels which but one other team of four on the American continent has gained. In scoring against the champions, Victoria achieved a triumph and Arbuckle, who was the man to carry the ball across the line with two Wallabies hanging round his neck, received an ovation for his display that was worthy of the feat accomplished. The final score was 26-3.

The Wallabies were first on the field where they were led by Woods, the stocky little captain, who passed out the ball and an interchange of smart low passes was seen. The approach of the Victoria team from the other end of the ground was the signal for the Wallabies to form in a squad and chant their weird and peculiar cry, accompanied by attractive calisthenic exercises. The exhibition produced rounds of applause from the spectators, and the visitors were cheered as their regular lines broke up.

The kick off was taken by Sweeney and the ball quickly returned into Victoria territory. The first incident was an obstruction by Woods for which Moresby gave a free kick. Several scrums followed in which the Wallabies worked like a perfect machine, heeling out in fine style while the ball was no sooner out than it was scooped up by a running man with the three-quarter line following as one man four yards apart and each a yard behind the other. Sharp and quick passing followed from Woods to Parkinson to Prentice to McCabe, who was brought down heavily by Sweeney. Victoria followed up in great form, tackling repeatedly. They were, however, lacking in combination and team work, and McCabe got away and dashed across the line on a twenty-yard run and the first try was scored. Carmichael failed to convert by two feet. First Score.

The first score was registered in seven minutes, the result of excellent team work and lightning passing by men working like a machine and without apparent effort. The play was then about Victoria goal for some minutes, when Carmichael catching from a punt by Vincent, kicked a splendid running goal from near the centre line. The ball went true as an arrow across the bar, making the score 7 for the Wallabies. Meredith, Lowry and Arbuckle buckles were playing a strong game every man on the local team did his best. They were, however, against a team only beaten four times in England, and Carroll taking from a scrum, got across and Carmichael converted, bringing up 12-0.

Victoria for the first time got the ball well over into Wallaby territory, but the splendid backs sent it back by clever line kicking and another magnificent exhibition of passing by the three-quarters from a scrum which was heeled out by the Wallabies, carried across Parkinson and the score raised to 15-0. Carmichael failing to convert, the kick going wild. The ball again went over the half and was carried by weight up the line into a dangerous position where Victoria made a determined effort to score. Carmichael, however, outwitted the local men with a speedy dash and sent the ball down the ground when time was called.

Victoria's Turn.

The second half was the one when Victoria spectators saw the brilliant play that non-plussed the visitors and resulted in Arbuckle getting there beneath two Wallabies, and making the score 15-2.

Arbuckle's play was a dashing piece of work. Getting the ball close to the line he determinedly fought his way over in spite of the efforts of the Wallabies to stop him. He showed wonderful judgment when he went down making sure of his touch down.

The crowd went up in the air and shouted. The kick, however, failed and Victoria's one and only score was registered. From that out the game belonged to the Wallabies, although Victoria defended in magnificent style, tackling and checking splendidly. Their scrum work was a great improvement on the first half and in this they retained their share. Meredith kicked from the twenty-five yard mark but the ball, well in front, dropped short. It went down the ground again and McCabe, racing like a deer, went over unopposed, making the score 18 to 2. Victoria kept the ball in the Wallabies' half and twice were a foot from the line. The extra weight and experience of the Wallabies turned the danger, however, and after Meredith had a grin shot for the bar and the ball had been touched down by McCabe behind Victoria's goal, it was taken up the ground and Carroll got away and scored, which Carmichael failed to convert.

The last and final effort was the best score of the day and was brought about by Carmichael who jumped into the three-quarter combination, receiving the ball from Carroll within a foot of the line, as Newcombe was bringing

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Carroll down, and touched down alone. The effort was a splendid performance and was capped by the full back converting with a perfect kick and leaving the score 26-3, at which stage the score remained till time was called.

McMahon's Advice.

Mr. McMahon, the manager of the team, referring to the local team's play, said: "Victoria has a good side but is lacking in team work and combination. They need coaching, and then you have a good team. It is one of the nicest teams we have played against. They, however, lack experience. There was a mistake in your three two three combination. You should have three stocky men forward, then two big men and make the others with what you have left. The result would be straightening out and strong combination, whereas you to-day buckled up and collapsed. Your men want to practice heeling and need coaching. The backs were good individually, while the three quarter line was also good but it never got into position. The team must move as a machine. Get your three-quarter men to work four yards apart and spread a yard behind one another, then they can move forward as one solid formation and take the ball from one another as the Wallabies take it. All must move on instantly and together as the ball comes from scrum. We have enjoyed ourselves here and will be glad to come again. Then if we do come you will have, perhaps, a chance of beating us if you follow up the combination as you witnessed it to-day."

The teams were:

- Wallabies—Full-back, Carmichael; three-quarters, Parkinson, Prentice, McCabe, Carroll; halves, McKivitt and Woods; forwards, Hammand, Barnett, McArthur, McCue, Middleton, Roe, Gavin and McMurtrie.
- Victoria—Lowry, Meredith, Vincent, Brydon-Jack, Yates, Ellis, Newcombe, Sweeney, Arbuckle, Hongood, Graham, Spencer, Milligan, Bryan and Gale.

SPEECHES ARE HEARD AT WALLABY SMOKER

Rugby Union Entertains Visitors—War Cry Translated.

From the speeches made and the enthusiasm shown at the Wallaby smoker last night it is evident that the visit of the Australians will give a new lease of life to the Rugby game in Victoria. J. E. Miller, president of the Rugby union, who occupied the chair, having offered congratulations and a welcome to the visitors, said he saw great advantage would come to Victoria from the visit. He told of the work done to bring the game to a high standard here and the trouble experienced to keep it going. The lack of competition, however, was the fault against which precautions would be taken next year.

William Moresby, who so ably refuted the game yesterday, spoke of the history of Rugby football in Victoria since 1887. He told the visitors and the many newcomers in the hall of the early struggle and the victory in regard to the formation of the British Columbia Rugby teams. Coming to the present, he pointed out the lack of competition by which the players were prevented from keeping in condition and getting accustomed to the fine work as it was seen yesterday at Oak Bay. Next year, however, there would be an effort made for a union of the four cities, Victoria, Vancouver, Nanaimo and Westminster. This would enable the teams to keep in better condition and give new life to the sport.

H. D. Helmcken, in a characteristic speech, said: "Mr. Chairman, fellow Australians and brother sports, I came for fun and not to talk, but I am always ready to do my share and play the game, just as you have played it to-day. I'm always on the ball. Red and white should have beaten the Wallabies. (Laughter.) Oh you can laugh, but we scored off them and they carry home with them a punctured reputation. There are many in Victoria who thought we could not do it, but we did it at Oak Bay to-day. There is nothing like a good game and these kangaroo hunters take back the right opinion of us."

Mr. Helmcken then spoke of the necessity for enthusiasm which Victoria's supporters lacked, he said. They had not behaved enough at Oak Bay. The whole work had been with him, consequently he was horse and could not make a very good speech. (Cries of "Go on.") He congratulated the men on the gentlemanly way the game was played. There had not been a dispute. With a pie for the upholding of Victoria sport which, said Mr. Helmcken, has tumbled to pieces the last few years, he welcomed the Wallabies heartily and reminded the audience they all were Britons and had learned the games from England. In conclusion he promised the Wallabies a licking if they came back again.

The smoker was held in the Victoria Athletic Club rooms and was a big success. A large crowd was in attendance and a long and select programme was listened to with interest and received with applause.

At the request of the president, the Wallabies assembled at the end of the hall and let go their terrible war cry once again. Translated the cry reads: "Hello! Hello! You are great men. As friends we meet you, As friends we greet you. Come on. May the best men win. We'll try to beat you. The translation from the aboriginal is that of Dr. Barthmann, president of the Newton (Sydney) Rugby Club,

Prepare This Prescription for Rheumatism or Kidney Trouble.

SESSIONS OF INSTITUTE CLOSE

(Continued from page 3.)

Evening Session.

At the evening session the first resolution was one offered by Mr. Way, who moved:

"That an appropriation be made sufficient to purchase first-class land clearing machinery and operate and maintain the same to put the same in the field under the charge of competent men."

The prescription is simple and can be made up by anyone at home. The ingredients can be had at any good prescription pharmacy and all that is necessary is to shake them well in a bottle.

Here it is: Fluid extract dandelion, one-half ounce; compound Kargon, one ounce; compound syrup of sarsaparilla, three ounces.

Take a teaspoonful after each meal and at bedtime. A few doses is said to relieve almost any case of bladder trouble, frequent urination, pain and scalding, weakness, and backache, pain above the kidneys, etc. It is now claimed to be the method of curing chronic rheumatism, because of its direct and positive action upon the eliminative tissues of the kidneys. It gives them life and power to sift and strain the poisonous waste matter and uric acid from the blood, relieving the worst forms of rheumatism and kidney and bladder trouble.

It is also good for aches and pains, especially in the joints, and is good for the lungs.

"(c) Or such other scheme as may commend itself to the government."

In discussing the resolution, Mr. Way said the government could do much aid in the way of helping to provide stamping powder, but this had not cost much. Under the scheme he proposed the money would go back to the government. It would not do to make a charge of so much an acre.

The government should provide two or three men and charge so much a day for the outfit, to cover wear and tear, sinking fund, and wages. More men would be required, but neighbors could band together to help work with it. Where the cost of clearing could not be paid down it could be paid in instalments. A lien on the land might be given which would be all right even if the land was already mortgaged, as clearing the land would make it more valuable. If the government would take this up they would be doing an incalculable amount of good. The government could borrow at 4 per cent and farmers would be willing to pay 7 per cent. The land, he considered, was the backbone of the country and the progress of the country depended upon its being settled.

Mr. Heatherton, in seconding the resolution, said they knew that every acre brought under cultivation was an asset to the province. It was impermissible, the backbone of the other industries.

Mr. Harris said if the work was undertaken at all it would have to be done everywhere. It was practicable but very expensive, and he thought small farmers would "rather do the work a little at a time."

Mr. Phillips thought it would not be feasible.

Mr. Colley thought this one of the most important questions that had come up. He had tackled the bush for 13 years, but the boys would not go into the bush as their fathers did.

They would go to the towns. There was a development movement here he understood, but it was no good to put immigrants in the bush. Fifteen years ago, between this city and Alberni, cabins were built, but the men would not remain. He thought the land should be cleared. It would be wrong to invite settlers to this island unless the land was cleared for them.

Mr. Cuddy was of opinion that they did not want spoon-fed settlers. If people were interested in land clearing he thought they should club together and buy an outfit.

R. M. Palmer said the whole thing was a question of cost. The cheapest that the C. P. R. had been able to do was from \$12 upwards. He fancied it premature to take this matter up.

Accordingly it was decided to further discuss the matter 12 months hence.

Freight Rates.

The matter of freight rates was discussed at some length, but it was finally decided that no action could be taken at this meeting.

A resolution asking that the government be asked to lengthen the season for lighting bush fires in the clearing of land was withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. Carter, of Comox, it was decided to make a payment of \$3 each for such papers on farming subjects as the department considered of sufficient value to print in the bulletin.

The motion was endorsed by the deputy minister of agriculture, who said he considered it would be a very good plan to develop local talent along such lines.

Asks For Inquiry.

The next resolution presented read as follows:

"Resolved that in view of the fact that the provincial government advanced \$1,000 to the Fruit and Produce Exchange of British Columbia, and that the exchange has been of great service to the industry, the government appoint a commission to investigate the manner in which the business of the exchange has been conducted, and the finding published for the benefit of those concerned."

Mr. Matheson, in speaking to the resolution, said many were short who sold produce to the exchange, and there was such a discrepancy on the matter of the prices paid that he thought the government should investigate it. If the management could clear themselves it would be all the better for them.

Mr. Johnson, president of the exchange, said it afforded him great pleasure to hear that the government were to be asked to look into the matter, especially as he was the president.

The exchange was unfortunate in many ways. They prepared to handle \$400,000 worth of business. As soon as the work commenced reports were circulated that the exchange was in a bad way, members became nervous, small quantities of produce only were shipped, and that often the worst of the fruit and the result of this want of confidence was that only \$100,000 worth of business was done instead of \$400,000. Several of the members, he among the number, put up \$4,000 to pay the debts of the exchange. The

money was intended to pay off certain claims, one being from the Victoria Association. Owing, however, to other complications the money had not yet been paid over.

The resolution carried.

Dairymen's Association.

Mr. Hodson on being called upon to speak on behalf of the British Columbia Dairymen's Association, said that the Canadian Association had produced a great deal of wealth for the country. The British Columbia association, he hoped, would do the same.

The purpose of the association is to instruct the farmers in order that they might use the best cows that would give the best result.

Membership in the association cost \$1 a year and each member would get a dairymen's paper, the official organ of the Dominion Association.

Mr. Palmer announced that the government was giving a grant of \$5,000 to the Dairymen's Association.

Thos. Cunningham, inspector of fruit pests, wished to correct a statement made on the previous day. Mr. Hamilton made a charge that was published in the evening paper that no inspection was made at Fernie.

A carload of fruit came into Fernie which it was attempted to pass through without inspection. The inspector at Nelson was sent down and the condemned fruit was destroyed.

Inspecting was a most unpleasant duty and he asked that all members of the institute help him in his work.

Mr. Hamilton did not doubt but that good reports were received. He knew however that a good deal of fruit was passing in without inspection.

Fairs in Province.

A resolution was offered dealing with the fairs being held in rotation. The discussion showed that it was very difficult to arrange such rotation and the resolution was withdrawn.

In conclusion votes of thanks were passed to the premier and finance minister for their addresses and for the interest taken by them in the institute.

Mr. Cobbett then took the chair and a hearty vote of thanks was given Mr. Palmer for his efficient service as chairman. A standing vote was taken and the delegates sang "For He Is a Jolly Good Fellow."

Mr. Palmer replied and commended the work of Mr. Hodson in taking up the institute's work.

Thanks were also extended to Mr. Hodson, the stenographer, secretary, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Maxwell Smith, Dr. Tolmie and Mr. Hubbs, after which the meeting adjourned.

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CODFISHING FLEET PREPARES TO GO NORTH

Vessels, That Operate in Dangerous Waters, Overhauling on Sound.

(Special to the Times.)
Seattle, Wash., Feb. 25.—Representing the largest fleet of cod fishers on the Pacific Coast, the vessels of the Puget Sound fleet are now overhauling and will sail for Behring Sea and the fishing grounds of the North early in April. The Vega and Harold Blekum, both owned by King & Wing's, Seattle, shifted this week from Port Townsend, where they have been laid up this winter, to West Seattle, to go in the dry dock for scraping and repairing preparatory to making their northward-bound voyage from Puget Sound to the codfish banks in the Behring Sea.

Leaving Seattle early in April, the staunch little fleet of fishing vessels, none of them more than 300 tons, will set their course through the stormy waters of the North Pacific to Behring Pass, where a narrow strait forms the gateway between the ocean and Behring Sea. Starting thus early in the season, the hardy fishermen are subjected to all manner of perils. From raging gales, snow storms and cold, while immense icebergs make the pathway one of danger even in the best of weather. Arriving on the fishing banks early in the month of June, the men spend several weeks in the arduous task of cod. The cod are salted and packed in the holds and when a full cargo is obtained the staunch little vessels turn their prows homeward, bringing the fish to the packing plants on the Sound, where they are prepared for the world's markets.

Almost every part of the cod is available for market. The skins are sometimes dried and used to settle coffee. The fat between the skin and fish meat makes the best glue in the world. The sounds, eyes and tongues are eaten delicacies with some nations. The livers are used in making emulsions and other flesh build-

ing oils. The meat is used in many ways for cooking purposes.

This year there will be nine or ten vessels from the Sound, including the Vega, Harold Blekum, King & Wing's; Fisher, King & Wing's; G. of Cast, J. A. Mathieson of Anacortes, and a 339-ton boat recently bought by C. Lowman, of Anacortes, from parties in Oakland; the Fortune, of the Bloom Fisheries Company, at Quartermaster Harbor; and the Maid of Orleans, of the Seattle Fish Company, at West Seattle.

LORD SHAFTEBURY TOUCHED FRASER BAR

Big Square-rigger, Loaded With Lumber, Got Off Without Injury.

The Lord Shaftesbury was loaded with timber at Skagway, and is now in the Fraser river when being towed out to sea by the tug Lorne yesterday, but came off again last night at high tide quite easily. She is now lying at anchor at New Westminster, and expects to get away on the next tide. She was not damaged, and will continue her voyage without docking.

The Lord Shaftesbury was loaded with nearly two million feet of lumber, which she took on at the Fraser mills, with the exception of 75,000 feet, which came down from Swanson bay. The vessel is of 2,273 tons register. For some months previous to charter she was laid up in Esquimalt harbor. Captain Thomas was here a week ago making arrangements to secure a crew, and these are now waiting for her to call for them.

Previous to leaving the steamer Dr. Wollard, of the Moana, was presented with a travelling clock and inkstand as a souvenir. The doctor was one of those who distinguished themselves in trying to reach the shipwrecked crew of the Aeolus at Christmas Island.

PRINCESS BEATRICE IN FROM NORTH

Snow at Queen Charlotte Islands Interferes With Mining and Prospecting.

Steamer Princess Beatrice arrived from the north last night about 10:30. She brought from Queen Charlotte islands and other points between forty and fifty passengers, most of whom were miners and prospectors. These brought word that nothing could be done at present as the snow is so deep on the islands that prospecting is out of the question and communication is difficult.

When on the way to Prince Rupert from the islands the Beatrice passed the Princess Eva going over to load at Akeda Bay for the Ladymen smelter.

Princess Beatrice is taking the Princess Charlotte's place to-night on the run to Vancouver, and she will leave for the north on her new schedule Tuesday night.

LINERS LEAVE,

Cyclops and Keemun Both Sailed Last Night.

The two big Blue Funnel steamers left the outer dock last night, the Cyclops bound for Liverpool via the Orient with a heavy cargo, eighteen hundred tons of which was loaded here; the Keemun leaving for Vancouver after discharging 1,400 tons of freight, over a thousand tons of which came from Liverpool and the remainder from the Orient.

Steamer Inverie will not call here when outward bound, as she has all her space taken with freight from Seattle.

SHIPPING REPORT

Tatoosh, Feb. 26, 8 a. m.—Cloudy; wind S. E., 15 miles; bar. 30.10; temp. 43. Passed out, four-masted schooner during night, and a steamer at 4:10. Passed in, a three-masted ship towing at 5:20 a. m.

Pachena, Feb. 26, 8 a. m.—Rain; fresh S. E. breeze; bar. 29.98; temp. 42; sea moderate.

Estevan, Feb. 26, 8 a. m.—Cloudy; fresh S. E. breeze; bar. 30.01; temp. 45; sea moderate.

Cape Lazo, Feb. 26, 8 a. m.—Cloudy; wind S. E.; bar. 29.95; temp. 41; sea moderate. At 8 p. m. spoke steamer Northwestern passing Cape Lazo northbound.

Point Grey, Feb. 26, 8 a. m.—Cloudy; calm; thick haze seaward; bar. 29.98; temp. 42.

Cape Lazo, Feb. 26, noon.—Cloudy; strong S. E. wind; bar. 29.95; temp. 45. Sea rough.

Point Grey, Feb. 26, noon.—Cloudy; wind S. E.; bar. 29.77; temp. 44. Passed in C. P. R. transfer towing at 10:15.

Tatoosh, Feb. 26, noon.—Rain; wind S. E., 15 miles; bar. 30.04; temp. 44. Sea moderate; passed in American steamer Taita at 10:15, and a fishing schooner at 10:40.

Estevan, Feb. 26, noon.—Strong E. wind with heavy rain; bar. 29.95; temp. 45. Sea rough.

Pachena, Feb. 26, noon.—Rain; stiff S. E. breeze; bar. 29.91; temp. 42. Sea moderate.

Keemun will operate on Fraser River in place of Favorite.

After long negotiations, the purchase of the steamer Transfer from the Canadian Pacific railway has been completed, says a New Westminster News.

A number of offers have been made to the company, through Captain Troup, for the acquisition of the boat, which was taken off the down river run in August last. Since then the gasoline boat, the J. C. Bruce, and the steamer Favorite have been on the down river run, till during the ice pack the Favorite sank. The Transfer meanwhile has been lying up on Lulu Island, and has now been purchased by Robert Jardine to operate on that run. A start will be made as soon as the vessel can be overhauled and a regular service maintained.

The purchase price is not stated, although when recent offers were made the C. P. R. intimated that they would not sell under \$7,000.

ENORMOUS ICEBERGS.

Some extraordinary instances of the size attained by icebergs are given in the *Shipping Gazette*.

The bergs mentioned were encountered in the ocean "lanes"—the short cuts, nearer to Antarctic regions than the ordinary course, which are taken by ships that are in a hurry to get from the Cape of Good Hope to the Antipodes.

Captain Pattman, of the clipper ship Loch Torrington, is reported to have sighted a berg standing 1,500 feet out of the water off Cape Horn in 1893.

Another mass of floating ice sighted by the Loch Torrington, also in 1893, was no less than fifty miles long though it did not approach the others in height.

The Antarctic, however, in 1896 passed an iceberg which, though only six feet high, was between sixty and eighty miles long.

Still larger was the hook-shaped ice island encountered by two emigrant ships southwest of the Cape of Good Hope in 1855.

It was sixty miles along the longer side and forty miles on the shorter, and between its two icy headlands was a capacious bay forty miles across, in which the two ships became embayed, with the result that they were lost with all hands.

The Sunday school room which can be opened into the church proper, keeping with the handsome exterior.

The design of the auditorium combines a certain massiveness with elegance, while the lighting arrangement and the finish have been given the proper church effect. Along one end of the auditorium runs a balcony, placed

in such a way as to add to rather than detract from the beauty of the place.

One of the features of the auditorium is the panelled walls which are finished in Kootenay cedar, as is the building throughout. Off the auditorium is the Sunday school room which can be opened into the church proper, greatly increasing the seating capacity. This Sunday school room also has a balcony.

On this floor also is the pastor's study.

The basement is occupied by the Young People's room, the primary room and a room for a young men's parlor and a gymnasium, kitchen and furnace room.

The estimated cost of the building was \$30,000 and the contract has been kept well within the figure. The building is 80 x 72 feet in size, with a wall 23 feet high, surrounded by a shingle roof, painted black.

One thing in connection with the construction of the church in which those who had charge of the work take special pride is the fact that the material used in it is of local production, and that every order that was possible has been placed with local agents or contractors. Mr. Gillett secured the contract and has furnished the marble from his own quarry at Kaslo, while the granite came from the quarry at Beasley and the lumber

reduced.

Esquimalt (at the dry dock).—From ob-

servations during six months, in 1900, compared with simultaneous observations at Victoria. Add to the time of tide at Victoria. For high water 10 m. For low water 10 m.

—As there will be a public meeting to discuss the water question Monday night it is probable the city council will meet on that evening only to adjourn.

CITY OF CUPOLAS.

The little city of El-Oued, with its popula-

tion of 8,000 people, at the extreme south of the province of Constantine, Algeria, is unique even for a Mohammedan city, because of the great number of its snow-white domes or cupolas. So extensively are the roofs covered with these cupolas that many writers have referred to El-Oued as "The City of Thousand Cupolas." The homes of the residents of El-Oued are constructed of white plaster, and were it not for the whiteness the domes would be a city of coke ovens.

All citizens interested in the ques-

tions are requested to be present. The chair will be taken at 8 p. m.

LEWIS HALL, Mayor.

Victoria, B. C., Feb. 26, 1909.

SHIPPING GUIDE.

OCEAN STEAMSHIPS From the Orient.

Vessel. Aki Maru Due, March 5

Empress of China March 5

Suveric March 13

Makura March 10

From Australia. Lonsdale Feb. 26

From Mexico. Qanta March 21

From Liverpool. Ondal March 4

From Havre. TO SAIL.

For the Orient. Tanguo Maru March 2

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Social and Personal

T. S. Procter, of Nelson, is in town.
F. H. Chrysler, K. C., arrived in town last evening.

Mrs. R. Lee is visiting friends on the mainland.

Mrs. B. Wilson was one of yesterday's hostesses.

Robert Gordon, of Revelstoke, is visiting Victoria.

R. Stevenson, of Chemainus, is in town for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. McLaren left last evening for Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Frisken, of Kamloops, are guests in town.

Invitations are out for an "at home" on the Egeria on March 3rd.

Mrs. Bevan and Miss Hoosman, of Duncan, are visiting the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bird, of Nelson, arrived in town last evening.

J. Honeyman and Miss Honeyman have gone on a trip to Vancouver.

Mr. R. W. Mayhew, of Calgary, is one of the latest prairie arrivals.

Miss C. Sherritt, of this city, is the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Cobb, of Seattle.

Miss Martin, of Vancouver, is the guest of Madame Joseph Loffe at the Driard.

H. Wallace, the well known Skeena River salmon packer, arrived in town yesterday.

Mrs. David Spencer was the hostess of a great number of callers yesterday afternoon.

Miss Heyland is expected home this evening from Kaslo, where she has been visiting friends.

A. B. Crumme, of Donegal, Ireland, has come to Victoria where he proposes making his home.

T. Hooper, of the firm of Hooper & Watkins, architects, has gone to Vancouver on a business trip.

Among the latest eastern arrivals in town are W. S. Stout, John Murray and W. H. Barr, of Toronto.

Harry Wright, government agent at Nelson, is in Victoria en route for California, to join Mrs. Wright.

The Right Rev. Dr. M. J. M. the Bishop of Ontario, arrived in town last evening, and is staying at the Empress.

James Rutherford left yesterday on a business trip to Chicago and other points. Mr. Rutherford is well known in mining circles.

The engagement is announced of Miss Margaret Todd, and Mr. Peter Ormiston. The marriage will take place in the early summer.

The Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Dunsmuir entertained a number of members of the legislature and others at dinner last evening.

Miss Isabel Payne left last night for New York, en route for her home in the old country, after an extended visit with friends here.

Mrs. Parker Williams, wife of the Socialist member of the provincial House for Newcastle, is in town and is staying at the Dominion hotel.

The name of S. J. Pitts, of Victoria, is among those registered at the Canadian high commissioner's office, London, during the week ending February 9th.

The marriage of Margaret Ellen, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Robertson, of this city, and Mr. Frank Ormand Morris, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. James Morris, of Kidderminster, Eng., was quietly solemnized a few days ago. Mr. and Mrs. Morris have taken up their residence at 1176 Yates street.

ANNUAL BANQUET.

Members of No. 1 Company Spend Enjoyable Evening Together.

No. 1 Company, Fifth Regiment, held its annual banquet at the Olympus Club last night. Major Currie, the commanding officer of the company, presided, with Lieut. Brace also of No. 1, present. There were present also: Lieut.-Col. Hoff, Capt. Winsby, of No. 2 Company, and Capt. Harris, of No. 3.

After the dinner had been served, a toast list was carried through. "The King" was duly hoisted. Major Currie and Col. Hall were toasted and made suitable replies, urging the necessity for deep interest being taken in the regiment, so that it might maintain a high standard of efficiency. Col. Hall lamented the fact that there was not as much interest taken in the militia by the young men as was evidenced in other cities of about the same size.

The story of "A Stubborn Cinderella" is told in three acts, the first being laid on the campus of the Columbus University. In the second act a railroad wreck is presented, and the third act is in California. During the last scene a beautiful descriptive ballet entitled "The Orange Fete" is seen.

A capable company with the well-known vaudeville headliner Homer E. Mason, at its head, will present "A Stubborn Cinderella."

Some of the big song hits are "What's the Use," "Love Me Just Because," "If They'd Only Let Poor Adam's Rib Alone," "I'm In Love With All the Girls I Know," and many others.

Seats for the engagement will be on sale Saturday.

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FRANCES WILLARD MEMORIAL MEETING

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The members of the W. C. T. U. held a most interesting and enjoyable Frances Willard memorial meeting yesterday afternoon at Point Ellice, the home of Mrs. Grant. The president, Mrs. Thompson, was in the chair, and there were forty members present.

After the regular opening services, a Frances Willard roll was called, each member answering with a quotation from some of her works.

A few quotations were as follows:

"We have cast anchor just for a little while beside this island of a world, but we are bound for the continent—immortality."

"We shall never climb to heaven by making it our life long business to save ourselves."

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"Only when the cobwebs are all swept away from the soul's skylight, can a man really think God's thoughts after him."

Mrs. Grant then followed with a comprehensive paper on the origin and crusade of the W. C. T. U., incorporating in it the story of the life and work of its founder.

Mrs. Andrews next read the famous five-minute speech of Frances Willard before an English audience. Mrs. Spofford read some pages from lessons from Miss Willard's life; Mrs. Jenkins contributed a letter "In memory of Miss Willard's life," written by Lady Henry Somerset, who knew her intimately and loved her for her noble womanhood.

Mrs. Teague, Mrs. Jenkins, Mrs. Fraser and Mrs. Thompson spoke feelingly of their personal contact with the great Canadian temperance worker, the late Mrs. Yeomans.

The meeting then adjourned, to meet next at the home of Mrs. Scowcroft on Discovery street.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Grant at the close of the meeting, and some time spent in social intercourse.

A standing vote of thanks was tendered the hostess for her hospitality.

CIVIL SERVANTS SEEK INCREASED SALARIES

Deputation Has Interview With
Hon. W. Templeman at
Vancouver.

Vancouver, Feb. 25.—A deputation of civil servants, representing the Dominion Civil Servants' Association of British Columbia, waited on Hon. W. Templeman, minister of mines and inland revenue, at the Hotel Vancouver to-day and asked his co-operation in securing a bonus of at least \$200 per annum to all salaries, dating from September 1st last year, and continuing until such time as the Civil Service Act passed last year shall be extended to the entire service. The excessive and increased cost of living in British Columbia was the leading argument advanced by the various spokesmen.

Mr. Templeman expressed sympathy with the object sought and the justness of the demands. He promised to take the matter up with his colleagues as soon as he reached Ottawa.

This morning's deputation was well satisfied with the assurances made by the minister, who left for the East this afternoon.

THE BURGOMASTER.

Delightful presentation of an Old Favorite at Victoria Theatre.

The old attraction, "The Burgomaster," with its music that never grows old, drew a full house to the Victoria theatre last night. Ruth White, who has previously appeared here in the same role, took the part of Willie Van Astorbill, captivating her audience as usual. Harry Hermann as Peter Stuyvesant took his part well. The company was an excellent one throughout, and all the accessories were good. The choruses were sung in superb form, and the entertainment was all that was promised.

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K. of P.—No. 1, Far West Lodge, Friday, M. W. Hall, corner Pandora and Douglas Sts. H. Weber, K. of P. & S. Box 554.

VICTORIA NO. 17, K. of P., meets at 8 p.m. every fourth Wednesday. Members of Order visiting the city cordially invited to attend. R. Dunn, recorder.

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NOTICE.

In the Matter of the Estate of Frederick George White, Deceased: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Trustees and Executors Act, that all creditors of the estate of the above named deceased, are required, on or before the 10th day of March, A. D. 1898, to send particulars of their claims duly verified to the undersigned, solicited to do so. Challoner, one of the executors of the said estate, and all persons indebted to the said estate are required to pay such indebtedness to the undersigned forthwith.

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TWO PANTHERS SHOT

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One Brought From Saanish and the Other From Rocky Point.

Oak Bay is not the only place in the vicinity of Victoria where the residents have been having trouble with panthers. At North Saanish this week the farmers have been out in a body, after a panther which has been doing considerable damage to the sheep and stock in the neighborhood. For a time the animal continued his depredations unmolested, with the result that the farmers suffered the loss of a number of sheep. On Tuesday night last ten sheep were killed by the animal. This morning the news arrived that the animal had been killed by Christopher Moses, of North Saanish. He was one of a number who turned out to hunt the big cat. He brought the body to Thomas Shotbolt, Johnson street, and claimed the government bounty of \$15.

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House in Supply

Seeing into the House in Supply, with Price Ellison in the chair, the minister of finance began with the votes for legislation, totalling \$65,620. Indemnity, at \$1,200 to each of the 42 members, amounts to \$50,400, mileage to \$7,200 and allowance to the Speaker (\$1,200) and sessional salaries of \$4,025. There was \$1,000 for registration of voters, \$1,000 for election expenses and \$2,000 for contingencies.

John Oliver protested against paying the registrar at New Westminster \$60 extra work-work which he contended, he got a salary for doing. There was voted for the hospitals for the insane at Westminster and Vernon, for maintenance, \$109,760; \$74,836 for the printing bureau, \$2,500 for the bureau of mines and \$14,720 for the provincial home at Kamloops. The total vote for maintenance of public institutions was \$229,116.

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On the vote of \$4,740 for the provincial museum, Stuart Henderson suggested that a building should be erected in the city for museum purposes and the wing now occupied, as well as the rooms occupied by the horticultural and agricultural exhibits, devoted to office purposes, in view of the need for more space.

Hon. Dr. Young agreed that it would be well to centralize the exhibits, but did not think it would be advisable to remove them from a fire-proof building to one where they might be in danger.

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For Text Books, For education there was voted \$614,560, the separate items being: Per capita grants, \$527,980; free text book branch, \$33,440; inspection of schools, \$18,550; education office, \$12,500; provincial normal school, \$7,620; education of deaf and dumb and blind, \$4,500.

Mr. Oliver asked what firms the free text books were purchased from, whether manufactured in Canada or outside.

Finally the item was allowed to stand.

Roads in Alberni.

H. C. Brewster, on the vote of \$25,000 for roads, bridges and wharves in Alberni constituency, protested that the amount was insufficient. He again drew attention to the injury that was being done the trunk road to Campbell river by the construction of the E. & N. extension, so much so as to interfere with the carriage of the mails. Larger expenditures on the roads was imperative.

John M. Yoston pointed out that \$45,000 was a small sum for works in a district like Cariboo.

Dr. King asked if the \$25,000 voted to Cranbrook was for roads and bridges.

Mr. Taylor replied that it was all for roads.

John Oliver declared that for Delta's needs \$15,650 was altogether inadequate.

J. H. Haworthwaite asked for an explanation as to why the vote for Nanaimo was the smallest of all, \$6,500, but none was forthcoming.

Cowichan gets \$11,860, Comox \$33,500, The Islands \$13,000, Chilliwack \$19,500, Esquimalt \$25,000, Newcastle \$13,000, the Vancouver Island trunk road \$35,600 and roads in South Vancouver and Point Grey \$75,000. For bridges throughout the province there was an item of \$225,000 and for wharves generally \$100,000.

Dr. Kergin asked if there was any provision for bridges across the Skeena river.

Hon. Thos. Taylor replied that there were several provided for and if the member for Skeena had any particular one in mind he would be glad to discuss it with him.

Dr. King asked if a very necessary bridge across the Columbia river at Warnder had been estimated for.

"Provision has been made for that," replied the minister of public works.

The vote for miscellaneous expenditure amounted to \$384,240, and included two grants to the British Columbia Agricultural Association, \$3,000 in aid of the exhibition and \$7,000 towards the new building.

Legislative Library.

The need of more accommodation for the legislative library was pointed out by the leader of the opposition.

For want of sufficient room, Mr. MacNeil said, the library was not so arranged that one could get a book without having to call on the librarian every time. The library should be arranged with the books in their particular departments, and so make it a good working library for members.

The attorney-general put the trouble down entirely to lack of room. The librarian was a thoroughly competent officer and he had made frequent representations for better accommodation for the library. It was hoped that this could be accomplished in the course of a year or two, perhaps in connection with the removal of the museum to other quarters and the installation of the library there.

On the vote of \$10,000 for the revision of the statutes, Mr. Oliver asked if it was the intention to employ competent men, or have some party friend pocket most of the money and let others do the work.

The attorney-general replied that competent men, skilled in the knowledge of the law, would be employed.

For the expenses of a commission to investigate timber and forestry matters a vote of \$5,000 was asked.

Mr. Oliver asked if the government was going to import a foreign expert to advise a Canadian government what was necessary to the protection of Canadian forests.

The commissioner of lands said he hoped to consult Geoffrey Pinchot and

it was to keep out of the gaze of the people who were paying for it all. A handsome ornamental fence should be put up which would be a credit.

This suggestion was received with the usual contemptuous silence and lack of common courtesy which marks the members of the executive so frequently when a question is asked or a suggestion made from the opposition side of the House.

J. H. Haworthwaite protested against the \$600 paid to the gardener at Government house as scab wages.

The minister of public works explained that the gardener got a free house and probably light and fuel.

Mr. Haworthwaite stuck to it that these wages were a disgrace to the province and a piece with the government's treatment of manual labor in its employ as compared with others.

"Have you any Chinese employed there?" asked Mr. Oliver.

Mr. Oliver replied "No."

"One would think you had by the wages you pay." Mr. Oliver retorted.

Surveys at Prince Rupert.

For the clearing and survey of lands at Prince Rupert \$30,000 was asked and for construction of roads and sewers \$200,000. The commissioner of lands explained that the former sum was the province's fourth, and that the latter sum was the total for roads and sewers, \$35,000 towards building hospitals, \$10,000 in aid of the

tithe sick and poor and the balance in amounts of from \$300 to \$500 in aid of resident physicians.

G. R. Naden asked if it was the intention to make a grant towards Prince Rupert hospital this year.

Hon. Dr. Young replied that no representations had been made to him in regard to this. Last year the hospital had been placed under a per capita grant. The doctor had been down here lately and was making additional provision for taking care of female patients.

Mr. Naden urged the claims of Penitentiary to a grant in aid of a resident physician as well as Princeton or Winfield, which each get \$300, but Dr. Young could not see his way to make a grant.

The administration of justice other than salaries, calls for an estimated expenditure of \$17,050. In reply to Mr. Oliver, the attorney-general was unable to give any idea what income the sherriffs derived from fees or what Mr. Cassidy was getting per day for prosecuting the Fraser river fishermen.

Hon. F. J. Fulton explained that there would be a topographical survey along the east side of the island, which would cost more than an ordinary survey. This was only an estimate prepared by the company's surveyors and submitted by the government to its surveyors. It might be in excess of what was needed but the government wanted to have enough.

The accounts would all be checked over and kept down to a reasonable amount.

Mr. Oliver reminded the House that the survey of large blocks is estimated to cost twenty-five cents an acre. Even allowing for the larger area being uncleared he thought \$60,000 an outside figure for the whole cost of the survey. He appealed to J. F. Gardiner (Vancouver), to corroborate him.

Mr. Gardiner is too good an engineer and has had too long an experience in British Columbia to contradict this estimate.

Finally the item was allowed to stand.

Roads in Alberni.

H. C. Brewster, on the vote of \$25,000 for roads, bridges and wharves in Alberni